Programmes Implemented by Ministry of Agriculture through External Assistance

World Bank Aided Projects

4. Integrated Watershed Development Project (Plains)—Gujarat, Rajasthan and Orissa.

5. Integrated Watershed Development Projects (Hills)—Haryana, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir.

Danida Aided Projects:

6. Comprehensive Watershed Development Project in Karnataka.

7. Comprehensive Watershed Development Project, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu.

8. Comprehensive Watershed Development Project in Ramanathapuram, Tamil Nadu.

9. Comprehensive Watershed Development Project in Korapur, Orissa.

European Economic Community (EEC) Assisted Projects:

10. Doon Valley Project

11. Bhimtal Integrated Watershed Management Project.

12. South Bhagirathi-II Integrated Watershed Management Project.

German Aided Project:

13. Watershed Development Project in Maharashtra.

14. Watershed Development Project in Karnataka.

15. Indo-Swiss Watershed Development Project—Karnataka.

Allotment of Land for Setting up LPG Gas Dealership and Petrol Pumps

*840. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of parties to whom letters of intent for setting up L.P. Gas Dealerships and Petrol Pumps in Delhi had been issued during 1993, 1994 and 1995, in favour of whom allotment of land for showroom and godowns was sought and provided; ....

(b) what is the nature of interse seniority maintained with respect to the incumbents to whom letters of intent for such dealership have been issued for different areas; and

(c) whether allotment of land is made solely according to availability of land in different areas, and land available in particular area is allotted to the incumbent to whom Letter of Intent for that areas distributorship has been issued without waiting for allotment to others even though they are senior to the former in point of time; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL): (a) The details of parties to whom letters of intent for setting up LP Gas godowns and Petrol Pumps have been issued during the year 1993, 1994 and 1995 and whose applications have been received in DDA for allotment of sites and the details of parties to whom allotment of land has been made during the year 1993, 1994 and 1995 are given as per Annexure. [*See* Appendix 173, Annexure No. 189]

(b) The date of issue of letter of intent is the effective date of seniority for the purpose of allotment of sites.

(c) Generally, allotment is made according to seniority. In exceptionally compassionate cases, allotment is made out of turn on humanitarian considerations. In the case of Oil Selection Board nominees, if the site specified in the Letter of Intent

is available, allotment is made for the particular site without taking into consideration the seniority of the allottee.

Price of Pashmina

8308. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that changpas of Ladakh region are not getting fair price for their pashmina from the State Government which pays them Rs. 550/ per kg.;

(b) whether it is also a fact that these changpas are selling all their produce to Chinese traders who pay them Rs. 1000/- per kg;

(c) if so, the reasons for low rate of payment by the State Government;

(d) whether Government propose to review the price offered to the changpas to boost their economic status; and

(e) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e) The price offered by the State Government for pashmina now stands revised to Rs. 800/- per kg.

Development of shrimp cultivation

8309. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India has vast scope for developing shrimp cultivation;

(b) whether it is also a fact that land utilisation regulations in different States are a hindrance in its development; and

(c) if so, the steps under consideration to remove these hindrances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir. It is estimated that about 12 lakh hectares of brackishwater area is available for developing shrimp farming in the coastal areas of the country.

(b) and (c) As per reports available, in most maritime states there is no such problem. Since land regulations come within the purview of the State Governments, it is for them to consider and resolve any such issue.

HI-Tech organic manures

8310. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether country is producing hi-tech organic manures (fertilizers); if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Indian Council of Agricultural Research or research institutions under it have developed technical know how for producing hi-tech organic manures;

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of the research institutions; and

(d) whether technology has been transferred to the industry for commercialisation, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir. The total annual production of hi-tech bio-fertilizers, which are cultures of micro-organisms, is of the order of 2800 tonnes for Rhizibium species and 400 tonnes for Blue Green Algae.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The All India Coordinated Research Project on Biologi-